

REMARKS

This is meant to be a complete response to the Office Action mailed February 20, 2004. In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected Applicant's claims 1-27 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-7 and 14 of US 6,662,495.

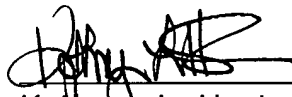
In response to the rejection, a Terminal Disclaimer is being filed herewith which complies with each and every provision of 37 C.F.R. §1.321 and 37 C.F.R. §1.130(b) and which disclaims the terminal portion of any patent granted on this application which would extend beyond the expiration date of US US 6,662,495. Applicant respectfully submits the double-patenting rejection of pending claims 1-27 has been obviated by the filing of the Terminal Disclaimer and requests reconsideration and withdrawal of such rejection of the claims.

CONCLUSION

This is meant to be a complete response to the Office Action mailed February 20, 2004. Applicant respectfully submits that each and every rejection of the claims, as now pending, has been overcome, and that such claims are now in a condition for allowance. Favorable action is respectfully solicited.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this Amendment, or the remarks contained herein, Applicant's agent would welcome the opportunity to discuss such matters with the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,



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